



City Manager's Report

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

January 8, 2021

California Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant Program Applications Due January 13

California Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant Program



APPLICATION OPENS

December 30, 2020 at 6:00 AM PST

APPLICATION END DATE EXTENDED

January 13, 2021 at 11:59 PM PST

ELIGIBLE BUSINESS ANNUAL REVENUE	GRANT AMOUNT AVAILABLE PER BUSINESS
\$1,000 - \$100,000	\$5,000
Greater than \$100,000 up to \$1,000,000	\$15,000
Greater than \$1,000,000 up to \$2,500,000	\$25,000



California has partnered with Lendistry to provide support for local businesses impacted by the pandemic through the Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant. In addition to the grant program, there will also be temporary tax relief as Governor Newsom continues to assist businesses struggling throughout California. Applications for the grant opened on December 30, 2020 at 6:00PM and will **close on**

For more info visit www.careliefgrant.com

January 13, 2021 at 11:59 p.m., with approval notifications beginning to roll out January 15, 2021. Grants will range from \$5,000 to \$25,000, and businesses are eligible based on their annual revenue documented in their most recent tax return. Applicants only need to fill out the application once by choosing a partner on the site that corresponds with their county or ideal language. Owners with multiple business will only be considered for one grant, and must apply under the business with the highest revenue.

Those wishing to apply must have their business fit the criteria listed on the application site in order to be considered for a grant at careliefgrant.com/.

January 8, 2021

Public Works Department

Parking Enforcement for Street Sweeping Cancelled Through January 31, 2021

Enforcement for street sweeping has been suspended through January 31st, due to the recent COVID-19 Stay-At-Home Orders. Street sweeping will continue to operate per regular sweeping schedules. Residents are encouraged to move their cars on street sweeping days, whenever possible, to help maintain the cleanliness of our streets. For more info, visit <http://ow.ly/BOq950CGhzX>.

HUNTINGTON BEACH



Parking Enforcement for Street Sweeping Suspended Through 1/31

.....

- ▶ Due to the Regional Stay-At-Home State Order, parking enforcement for street sweeping has been suspended through January 31st, 2021.
- ▶ Street Sweepers will continue to operate per regular schedules (without enforcement).
- ▶ Residents are encouraged to move their cars on street sweeping days, whenever possible.

January 8, 2021

Public Information Office

Free At-Home COVID-19 Testing Kits

If you are experiencing COVID-19 related symptoms such as coughing, difficulty breathing, loss of smell and taste, fever, chills and more, order a FREE COVID-19 testing kit that you can take from the comfort and safety of your home. To order one today, call (800) 564-8448 or visit ochealthinfo.com/covidtest.

- Residents can choose either a nasal swab kit or a saliva test kit.
- Orders will be fulfilled within 24-48 hours depending on the time the order is placed.
- Return your samples by mail and receive your results within days.

FREE COVID-19 Home Collection Tests for OC Residents

Order Free Saliva Kit:

<https://oc.care.ambrygen.com/#/cit/landing>



Order Free Nasal Swab Kit:

<https://picturegenetics.com/covid19>



For more info visit
<https://occovid19.ochealthinfo.com/covid-19-testing>



January 8, 2021

Public Information Office

Regional Stay Home Order

California has extended its Regional Stay Home Order as Orange County continues to be at 0% ICU capacity for COVID-19 patients. The order will be lifted once ICU capacity meets or exceeds 15% and received approval from the State. In the meanwhile, continue to do your part to slow the spread of the virus. Avoid gatherings and practice the three W's - wash your hands, wear a mask, and watch your distance. For more info on the Stay Home Order, please visit the City's COVID-19 website, www.HBReady.com. If you are a business in need of additional guidance, please visit www.HBReady.com/reopen.

BE HEALTHY, BE CLEAN



CLEAN & DISINFECT



SOCIAL DISTANCE



PICK-UP & DELIVERY



January 8, 2021

Public Information Office

VIRTUAL TOWN HALL SERIES: COVID-19 AND VACCINES

EVERY 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAY EVENING
JANUARY 20 - APRIL 21, 2021

BROADCASTED LIVE
VIA ZOOM AND FACEBOOK LIVE

First Meeting: January 20 at 7:00PM

Dr. Regina Chinsio-Kwong and
Mayor Kim Carr

Join the City of Huntington Beach and the OC Health Care Agency in a series of Town Halls to get the facts on COVID-19 vaccines. Use this opportunity to make an informed decision for yourself and your loved ones.



January 8, 2021

Public Information Office

Join Us!

Wednesday, January 13, 5:30 pm

bit.ly/hbhomelessolutions



Join Us for a Virtual Town Hall meeting to learn more about the
Huntington Beach Homeless Navigation Center!

Submit your questions in advance to: hbhomelessolutions@surfcity-hb.org

January 8, 2021

Public Information Office

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
Human Relations Task Force

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Mission: The Huntington Beach Human Relations Task Force (HRTF) promotes and celebrates diversity in our community through education and understanding.

**TO APPLY TO BECOME A MEMBER
PLEASE COMPLETE THE BOARDS &
COMMISSIONS APPLICATION BY
TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021.**

**Complete Application Online:
<https://bit.ly/3hYqcJb>**

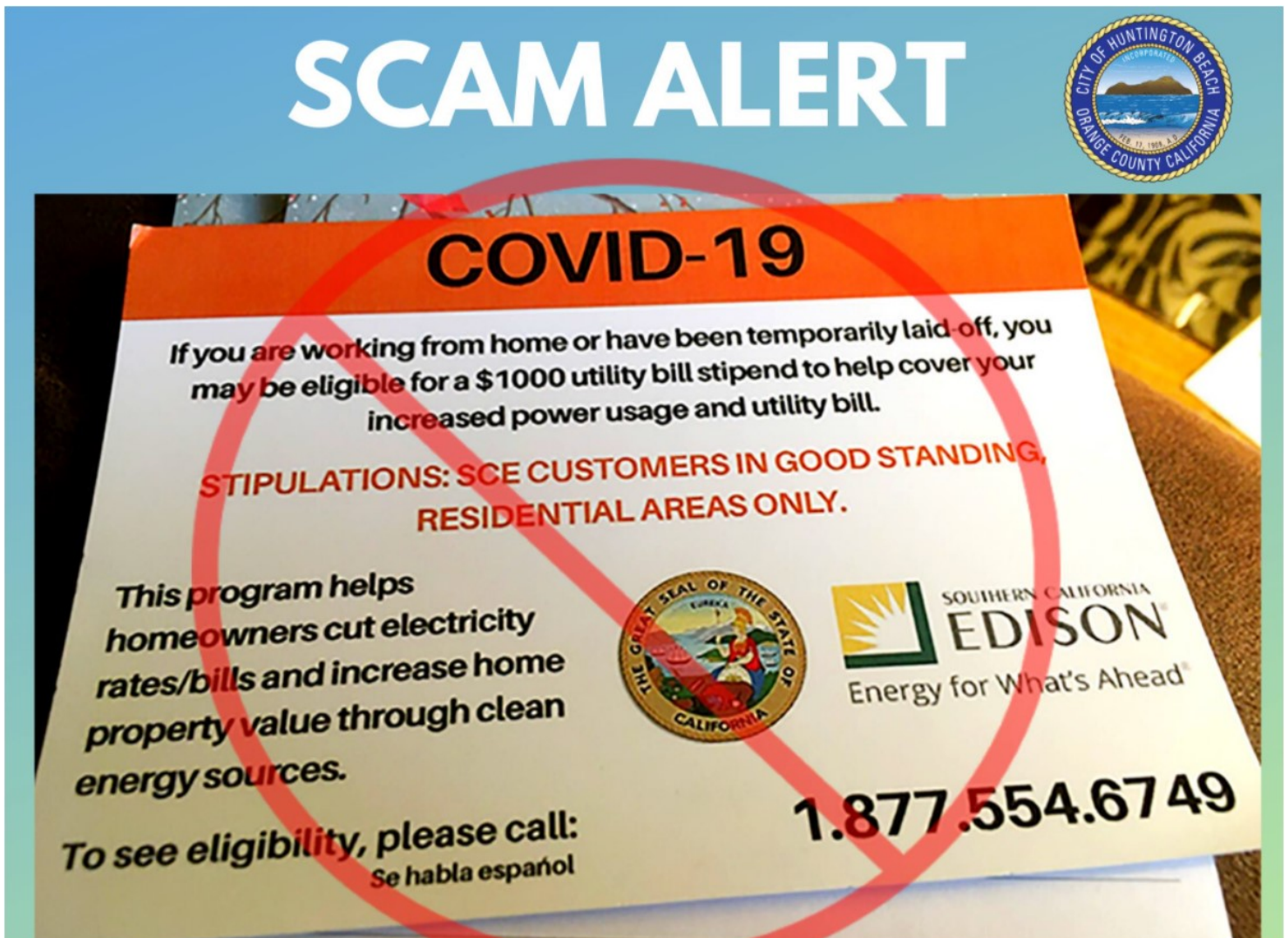
**For More Info About HRTF:
<http://surfcity-hb.org/hrtf>**

*Help Make A Difference
In Your Community!*



January 8, 2021

Public Information Office



Southern California Edison is warning customers of a potential new scam, which involves impostors passing out postcards with unauthorized use of SCE and CPUC logos about a so-called “COVID-19 relief program”.

The postcard tries to bait customers into setting up an in-person meeting with a “representative” to discuss their eligibility for six months of relief on their SCE bills. At this meeting, the impostor takes down the customer’s information, going through a year of utility statements before asking for a copy of their credit report.

For SCE customers who are suspicious about a potential scam, including any COVID-19-related postcards, emails or calls from people claiming to be with SCE, they should call the number listed on their SCE bills, the SCE’s customer service center at **1-800-655-4555**, or they can visit [sce.com/scamalert](https://www.sce.com/scamalert).

January 8, 2021

Fire Department

Firefighter Paramedic Drew DiPaola Receives the Medal of Valor Award



The Huntington Beach Fire Department wants to commend one of their very own, Firefighter Paramedic Drew DiPaola. Drew recently received the California State Firefighters' Association Medal of Valor for his heroic efforts on March 8, 2020 that went above and beyond the call of duty.

When driving into work that morning, Drew selflessly put himself in harm's way as he came upon a serious traffic accident on the 22 freeway. Drew found a patient trapped within the vehicle and positioned himself between the vehicle and the guard rail to create a gap - ultimately, he was able to pull the unconscious victim to safety prior to it being engulfed in flames.

Drew is one of only six people in the State of California to receive the Medal of Valor this year. Drew's actions off-duty are a direct representation of our entire OneHB team and we are honored to have you on our team.

January 8, 2021

Fire Department

Community Risk Reduction

Do you know where your nearest fire extinguisher is located?

This week your Huntington Beach Firefighters responded to a fire off Commerce Lane near Marina High School. Upon arrival, our crews were notified that the fire had been extinguished by the business' quick acting employees. These employees used six fire extinguishers in the business to contain the fire until our Firefighters arrival. These employees knew where their fire extinguishers were, knew how to use them, and saved the business from extensive damage!



Remember the **P A S S** Word

Pull

Pull the pin (or other motion) to unlock the extinguisher.



Aim

Aim at the base (bottom) of the fire and stand 6 - 10 feet away.



Squeeze

Squeeze the lever to discharge the agent.



Sweep

Sweep the spray from left to right until the flames are totally extinguished.



When was the last time you checked where your nearest fire extinguisher is and do you know how to use it? Do your employees know how to use it? Just remember the P.A.S.S procedure!

P – Pull the Pin.

A – Aim the nozzle at the base of the fire.

S – Squeeze the lever.

S – Sweep from side to side.

A well maintained fire extinguisher is an effective tool to extinguish a small fire.

To learn more about fire extinguishers you can watch our video here: <https://youtu.be/s7jYFkxYZAs>

January 8, 2021

Community Services Department



SENIOR CENTER IN CENTRAL PARK HOLIDAY EXPRESS

Spearheaded by staff, seven stations serving up Holiday goodness were part of a unique drive thru experience held Thursday, December 17 at the Senior Center in Central Park. Visitors were provided with masks, photos, Christmas in a Box, New Year's Eve in a Box, an ornament decorating kit as well cookies, hot chocolate and Starbucks coffee. Funding was provided by the Huntington Beach Council on Aging. Below are a few comments from some of the nearly 400 guests!



- ⇒ I appreciate what you're doing for us.
- ⇒ We don't feel forgotten.
- ⇒ This is fun!
- ⇒ Good activity to get out of the house!
- ⇒ Wish we could go into the senior center, but this is the next best thing.
- ⇒ Love the HBCOA mask - so thoughtful.
- ⇒ You make us feel special.
- ⇒ Our HBCOA membership is totally worth it!
- ⇒ Thank you for doing this for us!
- ⇒ This gave me a reason to get out of the house today.
- ⇒ These (events) have kept me going.
- ⇒ We had to wait a long time in the line, but it was worth it!
- ⇒ Thank you for remembering about us.



Community Services and Library staff members along with HBCOA Board members were front and center. The staff of the Senior Center in Central Park continue provide much needed outreach to our population who are staying isolated at home. The Center sponsored two drive in concerts and a drive through health fair in 2020. More to come in 2021!



Join the Huntington Beach Dog Walker Watch Program

This program encourages neighbors to assist the police department as an extra set of eyes and ears by becoming more sensitive to suspicious activity.



Learn the skills and abilities to become more aware and observant to surroundings!

Help be our eyes in your neighborhoods and parks!



Interested in signing up?

Call (714)-960-8811 for more information or scan the QR Code above



January 8, 2021

Police Department



BE AWARE OF COVID-19 VACCINE SCAMS



The approval of COVID-19 vaccine distributions will inevitably increase scams. Scammers tend to use a variety of tactics to carry out their scams, which include, phone calls, texts, email, going door-to-door, posting on social media, etc. Don't be a victim of a scam; never give out your personal or financial information to anyone that you do not know.

Government and State officials will not call you to obtain personal information in order to receive the vaccines nor will you be solicited door to door to receive the vaccine. Currently there is no ranking for vaccine eligibility and you will not be asked to pay any money to be put on a list to receive the vaccine.

Always be cautious of unsolicited requests for personal, medical and financial information. Medicare will not call to offer COVID-19 related products, services, or benefit review.

Be suspicious of any unexpected calls or visitors offering COVID-19 tests, supplies or vaccines. If you receive a suspicious call, hang up immediately.



Do not respond to, or open hyperlinks in text messages about COVID-19 from unknown individuals.

Ignore offers or advertisements for COVID-19 testing, treatments or vaccines on social media sites. If you make an appointment for a COVID-19 test online, make sure the location is an official testing site.

Be aware of scammers pretending to be COVID-19 contact tracers. Legitimate contact tracers will never ask for your Medicare number, financial information, or attempt to set up a COVID-19 test for you and collect payment information for the test.

If you suspect of a COVID-19 fraud, report it immediately to
<https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/report-fraud/>

For the most up to date resources and Huntington Beach updates visit
the HB Ready website: <https://hbreedy.com/>



January 8, 2021

Police Department



The Huntington Beach Police Department has teamed up with Project 529 to allow HB residents to register ALL their family's bicycles for FREE! Registering your bicycles online is quick and easy and will assist the police department in getting your property back if your bike is ever missing or stolen.

To register your bicycles, create an account at: <https://project529.com/huntingtonbeach>

If your bicycle is ever stolen or missing you can also file a report online by going to the hbpd.org website, scrolling down to e-services, and then clicking on "report a crime or lost property."

January 8, 2021

Library Services Department



This month, all teens in grades 6 through 12 are invited to participate in the **Teen Winter Reading Challenge** by playing a library version of Bingo! Library Bingo includes reading any five books “down, across or diagonally.” Upon completion, participants will receive a winter prize pack containing a pair of earbuds and an invisible ink spy pen! Book bingo cards can be downloaded [here!](#) or picked up at either the Central, Banning, Oakview or Murphy library during curbside hours. Registration is limited to one bingo card per teen. All bingo cards must be turned in, with all prizes picked up on or before January 31, 2021. For additional questions, please [email Christany](#), Teen Services Librarian or call (714) 375-5110.



Teens and tweens have until **January 15, 2021** to register for an exciting new program sponsored by the Huntington Beach Library’s Teen Space. The new **Book Boxes**, a free version of popular subscription boxes like OwlCrate or Lootbox are now available for both tweens and teens. Tweens in grades 4 through 8 and teens in grades 9 through 12 can sign up for these monthly book boxes that include a library book handpicked for them, in addition to some fun treats and surprises! While the book needs to be returned to the library, the rest of the box’s contents are free to keep.

Space is limited. Tweens can register here <http://bit.ly/HBtweenbookbox>, and teens can follow this link to register <http://bit.ly/HBteenbookbox>. For more information on the Book Box program, please visit <https://hbpl.libguides.com/teens/bookbox>.

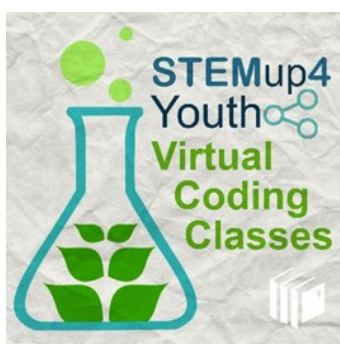
January 8, 2021

Library Services Department



Children ages birth to 12 are encouraged to sign up for the **2021 Kids Winter Reading Challenge**, taking place from January 1 to 31. Even babies can participate if someone special reads to them! Kids and parents can register online by following this link to the Beanstack reading program at hbpl.beanstack.com. To download the reading log, visit the [Children's Library website](#), and keep track of all books read (either 30 books or 600 minutes) anytime during the month of January.

All those who complete the Winter Reading Challenge will receive a snowflake slime toy plus a certificate for a free kid's meal from Rubio's! Winter Challenge readings must be logged by January 31, and all prizes must be picked up on or before February 6, 2021.

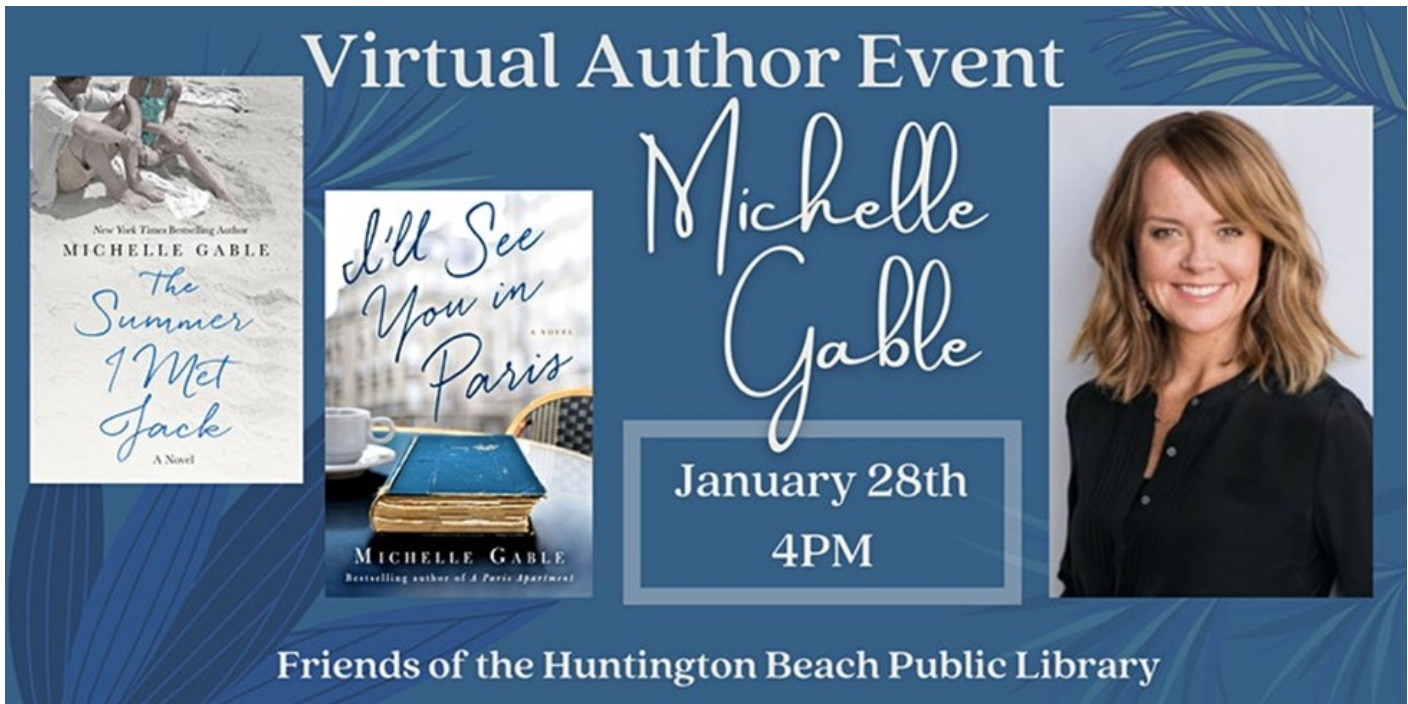


The Children's Department is proud to offer another online Zoom session of the **STEMup4 Youth Coding Classes**, starting on Saturday, February 6. While the program does not start until February, advance registration is recommended to reserve a spot. There will again be two different levels from which to choose. The beginner's class will run from 2 to 2:45 pm, with the intermediate class right afterwards from 3 to 3:45 pm. These four-week online courses are for students ages 8-12 and will take place once a week on Saturdays until February 27. In the beginner's scratch coding class, students will learn basic videos, coding interactions and games. The intermediate class will explore coding stories, interactive texts and more complex games. Registration is required, as there are a limited amount of seats available.

To register for the beginner's class, [click here](#), or for the intermediate class, [click here](#). The event URL will be sent to the e-mail provided during registration.

January 8, 2021

Library Services Department



The banner features a dark blue background with light blue palm fronds. At the top, the text "Virtual Author Event" is in a white serif font. Below it, the author's name "Michelle Gable" is written in a large, white, cursive script. To the left of the name are two book covers: "The Summer I Met Jack" and "I'll See You in Paris". To the right is a portrait of Michelle Gable, a woman with blonde hair wearing a black top. Below the name, the date and time "January 28th 4PM" are displayed in white. At the bottom, the text "Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library" is written in a white serif font.

Virtual Author Event

Michelle Gable

January 28th
4PM

Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library

Join the **Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library** on Thursday, January 28 at 4 p.m. for a live Zoom talk with Michelle Gable, a *New York Times* best-selling author. Michelle will discuss and answer questions about her books, including her upcoming novel "The Bookseller's Secret," and "The Summer I Met Jack," a fictional exploration of the affair between JFK and Alicia Corning Clark. Register for this free event by clicking on the [Friends of the Library website's Programs & Special Events tab](#).

January 8, 2021

Library Services Department



Assistance for Vets at the Central Library

In addition to resume assistance, live job-coaching, interview assistance, and thousands of academic lessons provided through the Library's **Brainfuse JobNow** service, there is now a service created specifically for Veterans: **VetNow**. These resources are available 24/7, with live assistance daily from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. PST, and can be accessed online using a library card at [Your Library @ Home](#). Once there, users should scroll down and click on the [JobNow / VetNow](#) icon under the Research Databases section.

To reach a tutor during live hours, users can click on the **Connect** button under "*Live Veteran Navigator*" to talk to someone who can help visitors learn more about the eligible VA benefits and community resources. Outside live hours, in the "*Tools for Veterans*" section, users can either click on **Submit Question** for help navigating the VA system, or **Veterans Resources** to access helpful information on understanding all benefits and resources available.

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

City Hall Directory

Helpline	(714) 536-5511
City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 374-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5582
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Community Development	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



Oliver Chi

City Manager

www.huntingtonbeachca.gov

